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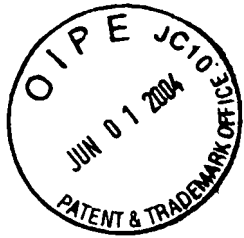
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Serial No.: 10/068,746 Art Unit: 2879
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Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application, please find the following documents:

- 1) Request for Withdrawal as Attorney (2 pages); and
- 2) Return Postcard.

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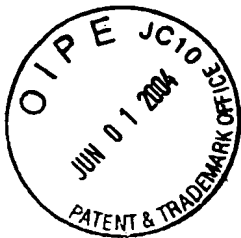
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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL AS ATTORNEY
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §10.40(c)

I, the undersigned, respectfully request permission to withdraw from all further
responsibility in this case, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.36. The last known mailing address
for the client is:

B.A. Painter, III
P. O. Box 477
5422 Lee Highway
Troutville, VA 24175

The basis for withdrawal is 37 C.F.R. 10.40(c)(1)(iv). Choate, Hall, & Stewart (CHS)
has been handling the prosecution of several U.S. and foreign patent applications on behalf of
Bland A. Painter, III since 1993. Choate, Hall & Stewart has not been paid for the balance due
for services rendered with respect to the patent applications, despite sending bills to B.A. Painter
III at P.O. Box 477, 5422 Lee Highway, Troutville, VA 24175, and making repeated telephone
calls to B.A. Painter III at his home. The client's outstanding balance for services rendered has
remained at \$12,587.24 since August of 2002. Choate, Hall & Stewart has made repeated
attempts to contact Mr. Anthony without success. Therefore, Choate, Hall & Stewart wishes to
withdraw representation immediately.

This application is currently pending. An Office Action was mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 21, 2004. Granting our Request for Withdrawal as Attorney will allow Mr. Painter an opportunity to find other patent representation in order to file a Response to the Office Action by the due date of July 21, 2004 if he wishes to continue to prosecute this patent application.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §10.40(a), a copy of this request, including attachments, is being sent to the client. A copy of the letter to the client is attached.

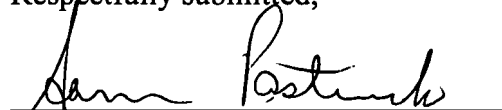
I am requesting withdrawal on behalf of the following agents: Sam Pasternack, Registration No. 29,576; Brenda Herschbach Jarrell, Registration No. 39,223; Kevin M. Tormey, Registration No. 41,351; Elizabeth E. Nugent, Registration No. 43,839; Valarie B. Rosen, Registration No. 45,698; C. Hunter Baker, Registration No. 46,533; Elijah Cocks, Registration No. 47,499; Monica Gerber, Registration No. 46,724; John A. Hamilton, III, Registration No. 48,946; Nadège M. Lagneau, Registration No. 51,908; Charles Lyon, Limited Recognition Under 37 C.F.R. § 10.9(b); and any other attorneys/agents associated with **Customer No. 24280**.

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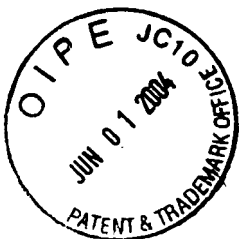
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Sam Pasternack', is written over a horizontal line.

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Re: Request for Withdrawal As Attorney
Bland A. Painter, III – Client Nos. 2003722-0002

Dear Mr. Painter:


Please be advised that we have filed a Request for Withdrawal As Attorney with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the following matter:

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A copy of the Request for Withdrawal as Attorney and related ancillary documents, as filed, are enclosed herewith for your information and files.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions regarding these documents.

Sincerely,


Sam Pasternak, Ph.D.

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